

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
HOPKINS COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
LOCAL COVID-19 PROTOCOLS
Effective May 1, 2021**

In accordance with the Supreme Court of Kentucky Administrative Orders regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, and with the agreement of the four judges and the circuit clerk, these local protocols for health and safety measures shall be implemented beginning May 1, 2021 and continuing until further notice. These rules are intended to complement the Supreme Court Orders and should not be construed to conflict with those Orders. If a conflict between this Order and Supreme Court Orders arises, the Kentucky Supreme Court Orders prevail.

1. Facility:

- a. Persons allowed access—Pursuant to Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court, only the following persons (other than KCOJ and Justice Center employees) shall be permitted to enter the facility: Parties; attorneys; witnesses; jurors; domestic violence advocates; persons scheduled or approved by a judge to appear; persons seeking protective orders, emergency custody orders, Casey's Law orders, or involuntary commitments; individuals attending judicial sales if permitted by the Chief Circuit Judge; individuals who need access to a physical case file or a public access terminal with a scheduled appointment; and individuals reporting for a scheduled drug test.
- b. Dress Code—In accordance with Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court, all persons entering the facility must wear a facial covering which completely covers both the nose and mouth of the individual. This can be a mask, a bandana, a scarf, or other covering which completely covers the nose and mouth, and which remains in place without assistance.

If someone attempts to enter the building without a facial covering, court security shall obtain that individual's telephone number and direct that person to wait in his or her vehicle for directions. The telephone number shall be relayed to the appropriate judge's staff or to the circuit clerk to determine if their business can be conducted remotely.

Other dress code provisions of the building remain unchanged. These are posted outside all courtrooms and at the entrance of the facility.
- c. Distancing---All KCOJ employees and court security personnel shall encourage persons inside the building to maintain the social distancing required by the Kentucky Supreme Court or recommended by the Center for Disease Control (currently 6 feet).
- d. Employees—All KCOJ employees and court security personnel shall abide by the provisions of effective Kentucky Supreme Court Orders regarding masks, distancing, and health screening.
- e. Judicial Sales---Judicial Sales shall be conducted on the front portico outside the building, weather permitting. The Master Commissioner may seek approval from the Chief Circuit Judge should the weather require the sale to be moved indoors. All attendees and participants shall maintain social distancing and wear facial coverings which completely cover both the nose and mouth of the individual. This can be a mask, a bandana, a scarf, or other covering which completely covers the nose and mouth, and which remains in place without assistance.
- f. Waiting areas and conference rooms are closed to public traffic.

- g. Public elevators are limited to one person per lift.
- h. Public restrooms are limited to the number of persons who can maintain social distancing. Some restrooms may be closed in areas of the building not frequently used by the public. The public restrooms on the first floor of the facility shall remain open subject to these restrictions.
- i. Secured hallways shall be closed to all persons other than KCOJ employees, persons with permission from one of the judges, cleaning staff, and maintenance managers. Persons may not congregate in any areas of the facility.
- j. Hand sanitizer stations and floor directions shall remain at locations pursuant to the Supreme Court Orders and the Governor's Healthy at Work protocols.
- k. Maximum Occupancy-- Given the requirements of social distancing (6-foot radius), courtroom galleries shall be always limited as follows:

District Courtroom One—22 persons;
 District Courtroom Two—22 persons;
 Circuit Courtroom One—46 persons;
 Circuit Courtroom Two—30 persons; and
 Family Courtroom—11 persons.

2. Protocols for the operation of the Circuit Clerk's office:

- a. Payments: Cash is not currently accepted; in-person payments are prohibited by Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court. Court costs, filing fees, fines, restitution, etc. may be remitted in the following ways:
 - i. Placing a money order or check in the drop box with the case number and an explanation of the purpose of the payment written on the instrument;
 - ii. Mailing a money order or check with the case number to the Hopkins Circuit Clerk at 120 East Center Street, Madisonville, KY 42431;
 - iii. Paying by credit or debit card by telephoning 270-824-7501; or
 - iv. Paying online through ePay at www.kycourts.net.
- b. Filing a petition for a protective order or emergency custody order:
 A person wishing to file these petitions shall be granted access to the rooms designated for completion of these petitions. Only the Petitioner, his/her attorney, and a victim's advocate shall be permitted to accompany the Petitioner inside the building. The circuit clerk shall determine the number of Petitioners allowed in the rooms at one time.
- c. Filing a probate petition, a Casey's Law petition, an involuntary commitment petition, evictions, or a small claims action (*pro se* litigants):
 A person wishing to file a petition for the relief listed in this section shall be granted access to the rooms designated for completion of these petitions. Only the Petitioner and

his/her attorney shall be permitted to accompany the Petitioner inside the building. The circuit clerk shall determine the number of Petitioners allowed in the rooms at one time.

- d. Filing motions, pleadings, and all other documents (whether *pro se* or with counsel):
Pursuant Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court, all filings must be mailed (120 East Center Street, Madisonville, KY 42431), eFiled, or deposited in the secure drop box on the front of the building. Fees and costs must be included. Individuals may contact the Circuit Clerk at 270-824-7501 to obtain the amount of costs and filing fees.
- e. Filings made by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services:
The agency shall contact the appropriate judge's office to advise of the filing and shall deposit the signed, verified documents in the secure drop box. These petitions and filings shall be processed in the ordinary course of business.
- f. Bonds—Individuals may contact the clerk's office at 270-824-7501 for information.
- g. Operators' licenses (pursuant to information provided by KYDOT/KSP):
As of Monday, April 26, 2021, the Hopkins Circuit Clerk's Office will cease nearly all in-person driver licensing services pursuant to legislation enacted in 2020 by the Kentucky General Assembly and the directives of the Kentucky Department of Transportation. Until June 30, 2021, the Circuit Clerk's Office will continue to process remotely submitted applications for renewal or replacement of standard-issue credentials, provided the card expires by that date, provided the applicant has not had a change of address or change of name, and provided that there is no testing requirement to be performed by the Kentucky State Police.

Hopkins County residents may renew or apply for a REAL ID or new standard card version of driver licenses, permits, commercial driver licenses (CDLs), and ID cards at the Transportation Cabinet Driver Licensing Regional Office, 56 Federal Place, Madisonville, Kentucky. Applicants are encouraged to make an appointment online, but walk-in customers are also admitted.

Appointments for testing and CDL finger printing must be made with the Kentucky Department of Transportation or the Kentucky State Police.
- h. Criminal background checks:
Appointments for this service can be made by contacting the Hopkins Circuit Clerk at 270-824-7501.
- i. The Hopkins Circuit Clerk has developed protocols for the internal operation of that office. Those protocols have been approved by AOC and are incorporated herein by reference.

3. **Juries:**

All issues regarding Grand Juries, Circuit Court Petit Juries, and District Court Petit Juries shall abide by the protocols set forth in the Kentucky Supreme Court Orders. Jurors who meet the criteria outlined in this Supreme Court Order shall be excused or their service postponed as set forth in that order. These determinations will be made prior to the first day of the trial.

The **Grand Jury** empaneled for the January 2020 term shall continue to serve until such time as a new Grand Jury is empaneled or until they have served 20 days, whichever first occurs. Upon qualification of a jury in May 2021, the Circuit Court Judge in Division One and the Circuit Court Clerk will select a Grand Jury panel pursuant to AOC protocols.

The Grand Jury shall continue to meet in the Grand Jury Room of the Hopkins County Justice Center which has sufficient space to allow for social distancing. The Commonwealth Attorney has adapted the format of the suite to ensure that social distancing can be maintained. Only necessary persons shall be present in the Grand Jury Room; all shall maintain appropriate social distancing. If possible, the return of indictments may be made in the Grand Jury Room to avoid unnecessary movement, provided those returns are adequately recorded.

Witnesses to Grand Jury proceedings shall wait outside in their vehicles until the Commonwealth Attorney notifies them individually to enter the building. Upon entering the building, the witness shall maintain social distancing and shall wear a facial covering that covers both the nose and the mouth for the duration of the time inside the building. Upon completion of the testimony, the witness shall exit the building. No person shall remain in the waiting area of the Grand Jury Suite.

Orientation and selection of the Circuit and District Court Petit Juries shall follow protocols and guidelines issued by the AOC. Petit Juries may utilize the Grand Jury Room for deliberation, in the discretion of the presiding judge.

Doors to the secured hallways shall remain closed during the Grand Jury proceedings or petit jury deliberations.

4. Criminal Mediations:

Criminal Mediations with a Senior Status or Special Judge shall continue to meet in the Commonwealth Attorney's Office or in the Grand Jury Room of the Hopkins County Justice Center which has been adapted to ensure that social distancing can be maintained. Only necessary persons shall be present; all shall maintain appropriate social distancing.

Participants in these proceedings shall wait outside in their vehicles until they are notified individually to enter the building. Upon entering the building, the participant shall maintain social distancing and shall wear a facial covering that covers both the nose and the mouth for the duration of their time inside the building. Upon completion of the mediation, the participant shall exit the building. No person shall remain in the waiting area of the Grand Jury Suite. Doors to the secured hallway shall remain closed during the Mediation proceedings.

5. Protocols for Hopkins County Detention Center:

- a. No inmate shall be transported to the Hopkins County Judicial Center without the approval of the Chief Circuit Judge.
- b. Inmates shall appear through electronic means, preferably ZOOM or Microsoft Teams, to allow attorneys and parties to view the proceedings visually. The HCDC shall be given sufficient notice by the Court of the date and time of the proceedings. If possible, said notice shall be given at least one business day in advance. The HCDC uses hopkinsfed@outlook.com as the address for ZOOM appearances. This

email address is not monitored for any communication other than for these appearances.

- c. If the Court or an inmate's attorney determines that it is necessary for the inmate to view electronic evidence, the attorney shall provide a flash drive with that evidence to the HDCD. Staff from the HDCD shall then provide the inmate with access to viewing that evidence.
 - d. If the Court or an inmate's attorney determines that it is necessary for the inmate to have certain documents, the attorney shall send those documents by electronic mail to booking@hopkinscountyjail.com. The HDCD staff shall then print those documents and provide them to the inmate.
 - e. If the Court or an inmate's attorney determines that it is necessary for the inmate to view a document without receiving a hard copy, the attorney shall send that document by electronic mail to mike.lewis@hopkinscountyjail.com and sundie.thomas@hopkinscountyjail.com. Jailer Mike Lewis and Captain Sundie Thomas shall permit the inmate to view the document and shall then shred the document.
 - f. If an inmate's attorney determines that certain documents should be viewed by the inmate and that those documents are confidential attorney-client work product, the attorney should notify the Chief Circuit Judge who shall develop a case-specific mechanism to permit the viewing and to maintain the confidentiality.
6. **Protocols for Drug Court:** Drug Court proceedings, reviews, and meetings shall be held in person or remotely using Microsoft Teams, Zoom, or another remote platform available to all parties at the discretion of the Drug Court Judge. If proceedings are held in person, maximum occupancy limitations and social distancing protocols shall be observed.
7. **Protocols for Court Designated Workers for Juveniles:** Staffing and meetings with juveniles, family members, complainants, and other involved persons shall be held as set forth by the requirements of the Administrative Office of the Courts. If an in-person meeting is required, all participants shall abide by the social distancing and mask requirements previously mentioned.
8. **Protocols for Pretrial Officers:** Staff shall maintain protocols implemented by the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Supreme Court of Kentucky. When in the facility, staff shall maintain social distancing and mask requirements previously listed.
9. **Protocols for District Courts:**
- a. Schedule—Effective April 5, 2021, District Courts no longer alternated weeks for remote court proceedings. Effective May 3, 2021, District Courts will resume in-person court proceedings pursuant to Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court and in the discretion of the presiding judge.
 - b. Court proceedings for in-custody criminal defendants shall be conducted remotely using the technology available at the holding facility.

c. Courtrooms— Courtroom attendance is limited to attorneys, parties, witnesses, and other persons the judge determines are necessary. The gallery of each district courtroom shall not exceed 22 persons who shall be seated at least 6 feet apart.

All persons in the courtroom shall maintain social distancing and, other than the judge, shall remain at least 10 feet from the bench. All persons in the courtroom, including parties, jurors, attorneys, court employees, and bailiffs must wear a protective facial covering over their mouths and noses during the entirety of their time in the courtroom and in the building. The presiding judge is not required to wear a facial covering while conducting court proceedings if doing so will impede the ability to make a clear record provided no person is within a ten-foot radius of the judge and does not approach the bench during the proceeding.

The presiding judge will call the cases in such a manner as to minimize contact between occupants of the room. After the exit of each group of litigants, the area shall be disinfected by cleaning staff before the next group of parties is permitted to enter the courtroom. The judges shall ensure that the equipment and spaces in the litigation area of the courtrooms are cleaned at regular intervals throughout the proceedings.

Court security officers shall operate the entrance and exit doors to avoid multiple persons touching the handles; this may be effectuated by propping open the doors in each judge's discretion. Court security officers shall enforce social distancing and the proper use of facial coverings.

d. Dockets—The district judges shall divide their dockets to assign time slots for groups of cases to maintain the limitation of persons in the courtrooms. All parties will be notified of any change in the time or date of the scheduled court appearance.

e. Trials---**Jury trials** will be conducted pursuant to the protocols of the Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court in effect on the date the trial shall occur. The presiding judge of the jury trial shall determine appropriate measures to ensure that the entire jury panel maintains social distancing and wears the required facial coverings during their time in the building. These procedures will be adequately and clearly communicated to the Circuit Clerk, Court Security, the attorneys, and the parties at least 3 days prior to the date of the trial. Written notice is preferred.

Pretrial conference shall be conducted pursuant to the Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court. *Voir dire* shall also be conducted pursuant to those Orders. The presiding judge shall ensure that the maximum gallery capacity is maintained during the entirety of the proceedings. Bench conferences shall occur outside the presence of the jury pursuant to Kentucky Supreme Court Orders. The District Courts may schedule the Grand Jury Room for jury deliberations as this space is adequate to ensure social distancing.

Only parties, attorneys, and witnesses shall be permitted to appear in the courtrooms for **in-person bench trials**. The limits of maximum occupancy and the requirements of social distancing and facial coverings must be met.

f. Proof to Be Presented---During in-person proceedings, all items to be presented to the Court for observation (e.g., insurance cards, operators' license, etc.) shall be placed in a plastic bag by the security officer before handing that item to the judge. The judge will provide the security officer with appropriate bags.

g. If proceedings are initiated that require a time-sensitive scheduling by the Court, the appropriate judicial staff will contact the party filing the action to arrange a hearing. The

assigned judge shall ensure that all protocols and Supreme Court Orders are followed and shall communicate the platform for conducting the proceeding.

10. Protocols for Circuit Courts and Family Court:

a. Effective May 3, 2021, Circuit and Family Courts will resume in-person court proceedings pursuant to Kentucky Supreme Court Orders and in the discretion of the presiding judge.

b. Pretrial requirements—To the extent possible, attorneys should attempt to reach a resolution of the case prior to the court date and shall take necessary steps to submit documentation that will reduce the number of cases on the dockets and persons in the facility. The presiding judge maintains discretion over whether the proceedings will be conducted by remote platform or in-person methods.

c. Court proceedings for in-custody criminal defendants shall be conducted remotely using the technology available at the holding facility.

d. Use of Courtrooms—Courtroom attendance is limited to attorneys, parties, witnesses, and other persons the judge determines are necessary. The gallery of the Courtroom to be used shall not exceed the maximum occupancy sizes previously listed. All persons in the courtroom shall maintain social distancing and, other than the judge, shall remain at least 10 feet from the bench. All persons in the courtroom, including parties, jurors, attorneys, court employees, and bailiffs must wear a protective facial covering over their mouths and noses during the entirety of their time in the courtroom and in the building. The presiding judge is not required to wear a facial covering while conducting court proceedings if doing so will impede the ability to make a clear record provided no person is within a ten-foot radius of the judge and does not approach the bench during the proceeding.

Hearings shall be scheduled by the presiding judge according to the type of proceeding before the court. The presiding judge will call the cases in such an order as to minimize contact between occupants of the courtroom. After the exit of each group of litigants, the area shall be disinfected by cleaning staff before the next group of parties enters the courtroom. The judges shall ensure that the equipment and spaces in the litigation area of the courtrooms are cleaned at regular intervals throughout the proceedings.

The presiding judge may assign seating to persons in the gallery to ensure that movement is limited. All persons in the courtroom shall maintain social distancing, shall properly wear facial coverings, and shall remain at least 10 feet from the bench.

Court security officers shall operate the entrance and exit doors to avoid multiple persons touching the handles; the doors to the courtrooms may be propped open in the discretion of the presiding judge. Court security officers shall enforce social distancing and the correct use of facial coverings.

e. Trials--- Only jurors (where applicable), parties, attorneys, and witnesses shall be permitted to appear in the courtrooms for in-person trials. The limits of maximum occupancy and the requirements of social distancing and facial coverings must be met.

Bench trials held in-person shall comply with these protocols and with the Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court.

No **jury trials** will be conducted except as may be allowed by the Orders of the Kentucky Supreme Court in effect on the date of the trial; pretrial conferences shall be held in conformity with those Orders. The presiding judge of the jury trial shall determine appropriate

protocols to ensure that the entire jury panel maintains social distancing and wears the required facial coverings during their time in the building. These protocols must be adequately and clearly communicated to the Circuit Clerk, Court Security, the attorneys, and the parties at least 3 days prior to the date of the trial. Written notice is preferred.

Voir dire may be conducted in smaller groups with staggered reporting times, if necessary to comply with the Kentucky Supreme Court Orders. The presiding judge shall also ensure that the maximum gallery capacity is maintained during the entirety of the proceedings. Bench conferences shall occur outside the presence of the jury pursuant to Kentucky Supreme Court Orders. The Circuit Courts are encouraged to schedule the Grand Jury Room for jury deliberations as this space is adequate to ensure social distancing.

f. If proceedings are initiated that require a time-sensitive scheduling by the Court, the appropriate judicial staff will contact the movant's attorney to arrange a hearing. The assigned judge shall ensure that all protocols and Supreme Court Orders are followed and shall communicate the protocol for conducting the proceeding.

11. Scheduling Outline for Circuit Court, Division One: The presiding judge shall determine the number of cases to be scheduled and called, observing the maximum capacity and considering the nature of each case and number of persons required to attend.

a. Mondays:

8:30 a.m.—Pretrial Conferences;

9:30 a.m.—Motions, Sentencings, Pleas; Restitution and Payment Reviews;

10:30 a.m.—Motions, Sentencings, Pleas;

1:00 p.m.—Motions, Sentencings, Pleas; and

2 p.m.—Rocket Docket cases.

b. Tuesdays:

9:00 a.m.—Civil Motion Hour.

c. Criminal Arraignments:

-If conducted remotely, no restrictions on numbers.

-If conducted in-person, will schedule times to maintain compliance with Supreme Court Orders.

-Dates and times will be determined by the presiding judge to coordinate with resources - and calendars. Notice to all parties and attorneys will be given.

12. Scheduling Outline for Circuit Court, Division Two, Family Court: (A conference area outside the courtroom has been redesigned and equipped with dividing plexiglass for confidential attorney-client conferences.)

a. Domestic Violence Hearings (Designated Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays):

- Court security will admit parties for 3 cases at a time if attorneys are involved and 5 cases at a time where no attorneys are involved.

- Judicial Staff will provide notice to court security of the names, times, and court case numbers of persons to be admitted to the building.

- Only parties will be admitted at the call of the cases; witnesses will remain outside the building until notified to enter.

- Petitioners will be seated on one side of the courtroom; Respondents, on the other. All parties will be assigned seats and required to remain in place during the proceedings if no attorneys are involved;
- If attorneys are involved, only the outer two counsel tables will be used; the middle table will be closed.
- Sufficient photocopies of exhibits shall be brought to the hearing by the party seeking to admit those exhibits, including one for opposing counsel and one for the Court; **no photocopies will be made during the hearings.**

b. Civil Motion Hour (Designated Mondays):

- Parties and attorneys shall schedule a specific time slot with the judicial staff prior to filing the motion.
- Approximately 3 cases will be scheduled every 30 minutes.
- Generally, cases in which the DPA has entered an appearance will be called first to ensure the availability of DPA counsel in other courtrooms.
- No witnesses or persons other than the parties or attorneys will be admitted unless and until determined by the presiding judge.
- Judicial Staff will provide court security with the names, times, and case numbers or persons to be admitted to the building.
- Attorneys and parties will present motions from the gallery.
- Sufficient photocopies of exhibits shall be brought to the hearing by the party seeking to admit those exhibits, including copies for opposing counsel and the Court; **no photocopies will be made during the hearings.**

c. Child Support Dockets with Hopkins County Child Support Unit (Designated Mondays):

- Obligor litigants from 10 cases at a time will be admitted entry. Litigants represented by the HCCSU may appear remotely. No witnesses or persons other than the parties or attorneys are admitted unless and until determined necessary by the presiding judge.
- Judicial Staff will provide notice to court security of the names, times, and court case numbers of persons to be admitted to the building.
- The HCCSU managing attorney and one staff person shall be seated at counsel table nearest the window.
- DPA counsel and one staff person shall be seated at the counsel table nearest the opposite wall.
- Parties and private attorneys will be encouraged to present their cases and evidence from the gallery. However, private counsel and litigants may occupy the middle counsel table if necessary;

- Sufficient photocopies of exhibits shall be brought to the hearing by the party seeking to admit those exhibits, including one for opposing counsel and one for the Court; **no photocopies will be made during the hearings.**
- Generally, cases in which the DPA has entered an appearance will be called first to ensure the availability of DPA counsel in other courtrooms.

d. Confidential Juvenile Hearings (Tuesdays):

- Because of the confidential nature of these actions, only one case will be called at a time, and only the parties shall be permitted entry into the building. Parties for the called case shall be seated on the side opposite the windows of the courtroom upon entry. Litigants from the three following cases may line up on designated and distanced spots in the hallway outside the courtroom.
- Judicial Staff will provide court security with the names, times, and case numbers or persons to be admitted to the building.
- The appointed counsel (GAL/CAC/DPA) for these cases shall be seated in the gallery on the side next to the windows, maintaining social distancing.
- The assistant county attorney shall be seated at the counsel table nearest the windows.
- CHFS social workers, CASA volunteers, and other service providers shall continue to appear remotely except by special permission of the presiding judge.
- Sufficient photocopies of exhibits shall be brought to the hearing by the party seeking to admit those exhibits, including one for opposing counsel and one for the Court; **no photocopies will be made during the hearings.**
- The Court will call cases by type to ensure the docket proceeds as efficiently as possible and to reduce wait times for litigants, with the dockets generally proceeding in this order:
 - *Arraignments/first appearances/temporary removal hearings;
 - *Annual Permanency Reviews/Permanency Progress Reviews;
 - *Dispositions;
 - *Preadjudication hearings;
 - *Goal Change Hearings.
- Generally, cases in which the DPA has entered an appearance will be called first to ensure the availability of DPA counsel in other courtrooms.


e. *Pendente Lite* Hearings (Designated Wednesdays):

- Parties and attorneys shall schedule a specific time slot with the judicial staff prior to filing the motion.
- Approximately 1 case will be scheduled every 30 minutes.

- Judicial Staff will provide court security with the names, times, and case numbers or persons to be admitted to the building.
 - Attorneys and parties will present motions from the outer counsel tables and shall not occupy the middle counsel table unless necessary.
 - Sufficient photocopies of exhibits shall be brought to the hearing by the party seeking to admit those exhibits, including one for opposing counsel and one for the Court; **no photocopies will be made during the hearings.**
- f. Trials and Final Evidentiary Hearings (Designated Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays):
- These types of hearings are scheduled by the Court for specific time slots and will not overlap in scheduling.
 - Judicial Staff will provide court security with the names, times, and case numbers or persons to be admitted to the building.
 - Attorneys and parties will occupy the outer counsel tables and shall not occupy the middle counsel table unless necessary.
 - Sufficient photocopies of exhibits shall be brought to the hearing by the party seeking to admit those exhibits, including one for opposing counsel and one for the Court; **no photocopies will be made during the hearings.**

All Hopkins Circuit Judges, all Hopkins District Judges, and the Hopkins Circuit Clerk have participated in the construction of these protocols and concur with the entry. Nothing in these protocols shall be deemed to conflict with the effective Kentucky Supreme Court Administrative Orders. If inconsistencies between these protocols and the Kentucky Supreme Court Administrative Orders do arise, the Supreme Court Administrative Orders shall control. These protocols shall be effective May 1, 2021, and until further notice or order of the Chief Circuit Judge.

Entered this the 20th day of April 2021.


Hon. Susan Wesley McClure,
Chief Circuit Judge